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In re Application of:

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CLAIM TO PRIORITY

Sir:

Further to the Petition for Extension of Time and Amendment filed on October 7, 2004 in the above-identified application, Applicants hereby claim priority under the International Convention and all rights to which they are entitled under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based upon the following Japanese Priority Application:

No. PCT/JP97/04468 filed December 5, 1997

The original certified priority document is being filed contemporaneously in parent application No. 09/090,672. A copy of that priority document is enclosed.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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